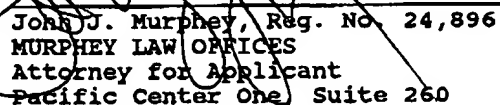


1 gravel so as to always present a portion of said apertured  
2 screen to the aquarium water above the gravel to allow a  
3 continuous flow of water into said tube to sweep the  
4 debris, that passes into said tube through said apertures,  
5 out of the aquarium.

6 **REMARKS**

7 Applicant's counsel has addressed all issues raised by the  
8 Examiner in his telephone call. If any issues have not been  
9 adequately addressed it was purely unintentional and the Examiner  
10 is invited to telephone counsel. The application now appears to be  
11 in condition for passage to allowance and such action is earnestly  
12 solicited.

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